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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal  Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/911,570
	Filing Date	July 23, 2001
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	Group Art Unit	3653
	Examiner Name	Jeffery A. Shapiro
	Attorney Docket Number	15828-058001

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

- Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s)

  - ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendment filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
    - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - ☒ Enclosed
    - ☒ Amendment/Reply
    - ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
Acknowledgment Postcard
    - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time
- Miscellaneous**

  - ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
  - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Fee** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

  - ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050
    - ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 06/01/2006 HNGUYEN1 00000026 09911570
    - ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 790.00 DP
    - ☒ Other Any deficiencies
  - ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 790 for RCE and \$450 for 2-mo. extension enclosed
  - ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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